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## SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: PRESIDING

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Good morning and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain for the day is our senator, Lowen Kruse. Senator?

SENATOR KRUSE: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I call the thirty-seventh day of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature to order. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Any corrections this morning?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: New resolution, LR 307, by Senator Foley. That will be laid over, Mr. President. That's the only item I have this morning. (Legislative Journal pages 887-888.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you. We now move to General File, senator priority bills. LB 935, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 935, bill discussed last Thursday by the Legislature. It's a bill by Senator McDonald. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10; referred to the Government Committee; advanced to General File. I do have amendments pending to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator McDonald, would you just give us a couple minute brief overview of what the bill does before we start this morning?

SENATOR McDONALD: Yes, Mr. President and members. LB 935 would require that all absentee ballots be returned to the election commissioner or county clerk by the close of the polls on